

To,

The Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division, Ballari.

Sub : Diversion of 28.299 ha of forest land (26.699 ha for mining + 1.60ha for approach road) in favour of the Successful Bidder i.e., M/s. MSPL Ltd., Hospate, Ballari District (erstwhile 'C' Category mine ML No. 2559 of M/s. Karthikeyas Manganese & Iron Ore Pvt. Ltd) in Subbarayanahalli Village, Sandur Range, Ballari District. **(FP/KA/MIN/31348/2018)**

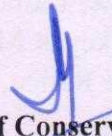
Ref: 1) Letter No. F.No. 4-KRC1203/2019-FC, 1-6-2023 of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru.
2) Letter No. FEE 25 FFM 2019 dated. 9-6-2023 of the Government of Karnataka.
3) Letter No. KFD/HoFF/A5-1/(MNG)/16/2018-FC dated 20-6-2023 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Forest Conservation) Bengaluru.

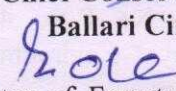

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In light of the directions issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru, in his letter (3) cited above and followed by the letter of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru, and Government of Karnataka vide their letter (1) and (2) respectively cited above, has directed to submit the information/ clarification on the following points.

- 1) The document in support of the directions from the Archaeological Survey of India with respect to the temple being an Archaeological site and the prescribed distance from the site within which the mining activity is not permissible is required.
- 2) The process for initiating the action to exclude the overlapping of mining area with the area within the 600m radius from the temple or as confirmed with the guidelines/ notification from Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) for exclusion of the mining activity, needs to be taken.
- 3) As the revised area for mining is proposed to be of 18.989 ha the State recommendation on the same is also required. Further, the revised CA, CA Scheme, NPV, Mining Plan, KML files of the proposed area, safety zone area etc., also is needed.

Therefore, you are hereby directed to go through the points as raised therein and furnish the additional information/ clarification duly obtaining the same from the user agency for onward submission of the same to the higher authorities for taking further necessary action in the matter.


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.

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- 1) Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) Bengaluru for kind information.
 - 2) Copy to the M/s. M.S.P.L. Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Hospete-583203 Dist. Vijayanagar for information.


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